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SUBJ: DISCUSSION WITH ICRC REPS ON TREATMENT OF ARAB PRISONERS
IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES

1. ICRC DELEGATES SCHMID DE GRUNECK AND DE MURALT ASKED ME TO CALL ON THEM IN JERUSALEM JUN 27. SCHMID DE GRUNECK WENT OVER OPERATION IN PRACTICE OF ICRC'S DECEMBER, 1977 AGREEMENT WITH GOI ON ACCESS TO PRISONERS. HE OUTLINED IMPROVEMENTS ICRC WOULD BE SEEKING IN ITS FORTHCOMING MEETING WITH GENERAL ORLY (JERUSALEM 1707 NOTAL).

2. BOTH DELEGATES WERE OF THE OPINION SOMETHING UNUSUAL WAS AFOOT. ORIGINAL MEETING WITH GENERAL ORLY HAD BEEN SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 23. GOI HAD REQUESTED THIS BE RESCHEDULED TO JUNE 29, AND AT LAST MOMENT, HAD REQUESTED FURTHER POSTPONEMENT UNTIL EARLY JULY. AT RECENT MEETING IN KNESSET, FONMIN DAYAN HAD BEEN OBSERVED IN CONVERSATION WITH MFA LIAISON OFFICER LAMBERT. LATTER LATER CONFIRMED SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION WAS UPCOMING GOI NEGOTIATIONS WITH ICRC.

3. SCHMID DE GRUNECK AND DE MURALT REPORTED DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SIEVERTS WAS IN GENERA HAVING DISCUSSIONS WITH

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SENIOR ICRC OFFICIALS. BOTH MEN REGARDED THESE EVENTS AS FAVORABLE MOMENTS.

4. IN LATE AFTERNOON JUN 28, DE MURALT CALLED TO SAY HE AND SCHMID DE GRUNECK HAD BEEN SUMMONED TO GENEVA JUNE 29 TO MEET WITH ICRC PRESIDENT HAY. HE HAD NO INDICATION FROM GENEVA AS TO REASON BUT ASSUMED IT WAS ASSOCIATED WITH HIS RECENT

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CONVERSATIONS IN WASHINGTON AND UPCOMING NEGOTIATIONS.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BACKGROUND GENEVA OR DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE ON SIEVERT'S DISCUSSION AND REASON FOR TRIP TO ICRC DELEGATES.
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